

# VA Education & Services to Veterans In Rural Central Virginia Communities

## Core Service Package:

★ *VA Eligibility Determination*   ★ *VA Registration*   ★ *Health Education*   ★ *Disease Management*

### Rural Health Initiative Program (RHIP)

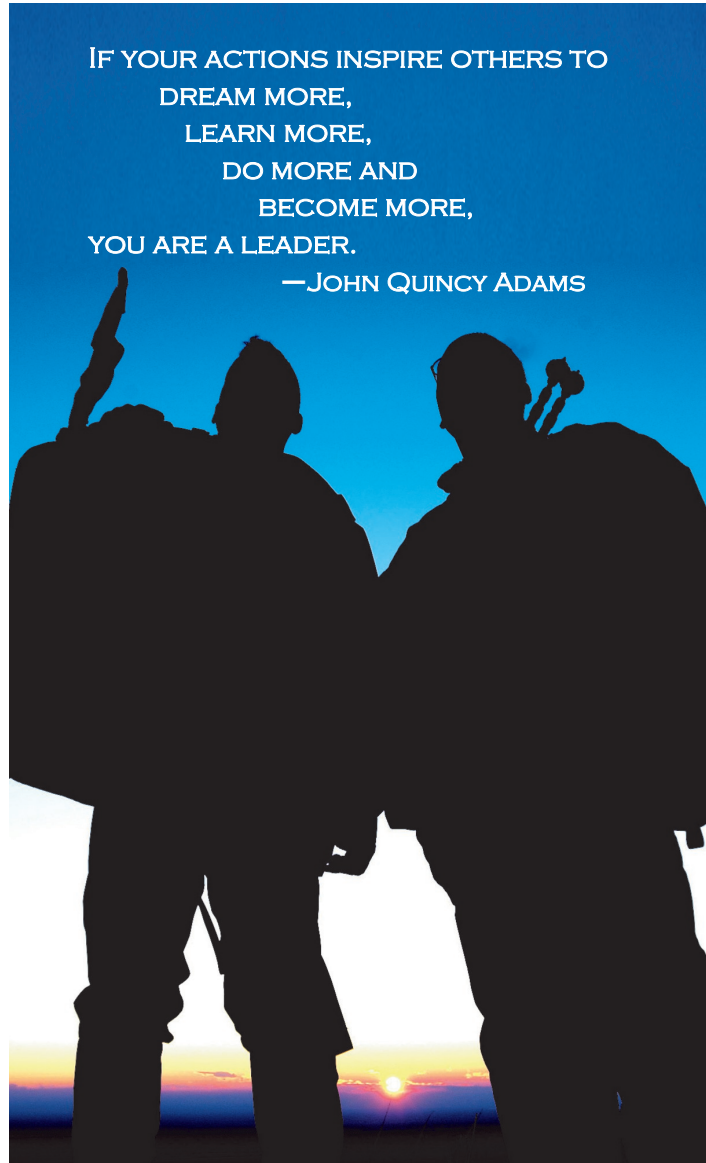
RHIP provides health education and health services to Veterans in Rural Central Virginia Communities.

#### Providing the following services:

- ★ Disease Management
  - ❖ Hypertension
  - ❖ Diabetes
  - ❖ Weight Management
  - ❖ Healthy Lifestyles
- ★ Women's Health
  - ❖ Breast Health Education
  - ❖ Pap Education
  - ❖ Osteoporosis
- ★ Mental Hygiene
  - ❖ Suicide Awareness
  - ❖ Depression
  - ❖ Addiction
- ★ Recent Service Separation
  - ❖ Support Services
  - ❖ OEF/OIF Information

IF YOUR ACTIONS INSPIRE OTHERS TO  
DREAM MORE,  
LEARN MORE,  
DO MORE AND  
BECOME MORE,  
YOU ARE A LEADER.

—JOHN QUINCY ADAMS



The aim of RHIP is to minimize the effect of illness and disability and improve quality of life. Community visits made by team members are based upon veterans' assessed needs.

#### Additional services:

- ★ Needs Assessment
- ★ Pharmacy Education
- ★ Health Education
- ★ Partnerships with Local Community Services
- ★ Interdisciplinary Services
  - ❖ Social Work
  - ❖ Mental Health
  - ❖ Low vision services
- ★ Coordination of care
- ★ Self-Management
- ★ Telephone follow-up

## *Mission/Vision/Values*

The Rural Health Initiative Program provides quality, accessible, efficient health care through services and education.

Our Vision is:

*Excellence through Teamwork*

Our Values:

*Trust*

*Respect*

*Excellence*

*Compassion*

*Commitment*



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The Rural Health Initiative  
Program Team consists of:

Program Director – Physician

Rural Health Coordinator

Public Affairs Officer

Social Worker

RN Health Educator Lead

Registered Nurses

Clinical Pharmacists (PharmD)

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## Supporting Our Veterans In Rural Areas



**Rural Health  
Initiative**

*Geriatrics & Extended Care Service Line  
RHIP (181H)*